ATTENTION ALL CIVILIANS:

FORT HARRISON STATE PARK JULY PROGRAMS AND EVENTS



Summer Nature
History Hours:
Wed - Sunday 12p - 4p
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WEDNESDAY, JULY 1

1p-2p Tracks & Scat: Find out what has been leaving its mark here in our park! See how to identify the animals right in our backyard! Meet at the Lawrence Creek Trailhead picnic area.

THURSDAY, JULY 3

11a-12p Stars & Stripes: Come find out how our nation's flag came to be, and the different changes that have been made. Get a chance to raise a flag on a flagpole and learn how to fold it. Make your own flags at the end of the program! Meet at the Nature History Center.

FRIDAY, JULY 4

2p-3p Patriotic Pooch: Celebrate our independence with your dog! Dress up your pooch in patriotic flair and parade around Delaware Lake! Even if you do not have a dog, come be a spectator in this fun event! Meet near the Delaware Lake restrooms.

SATURDAY, JULY 5

11a-12p <u>BUBBLES!!!!!!!!!!!!!</u>: Come see how you can turn your trash into bubble heaven! Discover the science behind bubbles, and watch as we encase a whole person within a single bubble! Meet at the Nature History Center.

SUNDAY, JULY 6

- 8:30a-9:30a <u>Birding 101</u>: Join us for a brief 1 hour crash course on bird watching! Learn the basics on how to ID our native bird species. Bring binoculars and a field guide if you have them! Meet near the Delaware Lake restrooms.
- 11a-12p Hoosier Quest: Come find out about our new Hoosier Quest Series program happening at all Indiana State Parks and Reservoirs. Discover, Connect, and Explore our parks while earning patches, pins, and certificates as you complete each level. Meet at the Nature History Center.
- 1p-2p <u>Turtle & Snake Swim:</u> Come see our resident turtle and snakes out of their cages! Learn about our reptiles as they stretch their muscles outside in a kiddie pool. Meet at the Nature History Center.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

- 10a 12p Trash to Treasure: Be prepared to do some trash hunting! Have fun while helping keep the park clean. Trade in your collected trash for fabulous Smokey the Bear prizes! Meet at the Nature History Center to pick up a trash bag and instructions.
- 1:30p-3:30p Disc Golf: Bring the family out for an afternoon of disc golf! Our 9 hole course is bound to test your skills. See if you can become the champion! Meet at the Nature History Center.

SUNDAY, JULY 13

10a-11a <u>Stream Splash:</u> Wanting to get your feet wet and cool off? Come join us as we splash along the Lawrence Creek in search of the critters that call it their home. Meet at the Lawrence Creek Trailhead picnic area.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

- **Bark in the Park:** Bring your pooch for a morning adventure! Entertain your pal with water stations and sniffing stations along the trail. Treats will be provided at the end of the walk! Meet at the Cherry Tree picnic area parking lot.
- 1p-3p <u>Lets Go Fly A Kite!</u>: Join us in an afternoon of kite crafting! Build your own flyable kite, and then take it out for a test fly (weather permitting). Meet at the Nature History Center.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

9a-10a <u>Hoosier Quest</u>: Come find out about our new Hoosier Quest Series program happening at all Indiana State Parks and Reservoirs. Discover, Connect, and Explore our parks while earning patches, pins, and certificates as you complete each level. Meet at the Nature History Center.

1p-2p Reduce, Reuse, Recycle: See how you can help conserve nature and the environment around you! Come join us for an afternoon of recycling games and activities using ordinary household items. Meet at the Nature History Center.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

Nature Sketching: Bring out your inner artist! Professionals and amateur artists alike have always drawn inspiration from nature. No matter your skill level, come join us at Delaware Lake and get inspired! Basic supplies provided, but feel free to bring your own. Meet near Delaware Lake restrooms.

2p-3p Home Tweet Home: Come see how you can lure songbirds into your own backyard! Help us mount a new bluebird house in the prairie behind the nature center, and leave with your very own homemade bird feeders and bird boxes! Meet at the Nature History Center.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

4p-6p <u>Ice Cream Social:</u> I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! Join us this evening for a yummy summer treat! Cost of \$1.00 will help us cover supplies. Meet behind the Nature History Center.

8:30p-9:30p <u>Mid-Summer Star Party:</u> Come explore the night sky with us! Discover the stars and constellations of the summer months. Meet at the Sledding Hill (Weather Permitting).

SUNDAY, JULY 20

7p <u>Indianapolis Symphonic Band:</u> Come enjoy the "Fire & Ice" concert event here at Fort Harrison State Park. Concert will take place at the Sledding Hill. Bring your blankets and chairs!

THURSDAY, JULY 24

9a-10a <u>Bark in the Park:</u> Bring your pooch for a morning adventure! Entertain your pal with water stations and sniffing stations along the trail. Treats will be provided at the end of the walk! Meet at the Cherry Tree picnic area parking lot.

1p-3pPeek at the Past: Bring out your inner Native American. Take part in traditional arts and crafts such as making dream catchers, necklaces, and more! Larger crafts are \$2 a person to cover supplies. Meet at the Nature History Center.

FRIDAY, JULY 25

Cycling in the Park: For all the bicycle enthusiasts! Join our interpretive naturalist for a bike ride through the park. Learn some natural history as you ride along! Meet near the Delaware Lake Restrooms.

SATURDAY, JULY 26

7p <u>Decades of Dance</u>: Come out for an evening of dancing! See how people used to "get down" in this historic lesson. No matter your skill level, you will be sure to have a blast! Meet at the Nature History Center.

SUNDAY, JULY 27

1:30p <u>Geocaching 101:</u> Join us for a lesson on Geocaching here at Fort Harrison! Learn the basics of using a GPS unit, and how to go about locating a cache. Afterwards, attempt to locate caches that we have hidden! Meet at the Nature History Center.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

10a-11a <u>Historic Driving Tour:</u> Come carpool with the interpretive staff! Drive through the old Fort property while getting a free history lesson! Must drive your own vehicle. Meet at the Saddle Barn/Nature History Center parking lot.

